

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A composition for topical application for preventing and treating cellulite which reduces the harmful or toxic effects of reactive carbonyl species, wherein it comprises the following ingredients:

- [[•]] a) ingredients with lipolytic and venotonic effects;
- [[•]] b) GHK (glycyl-histidyl-lysine) as quenching agent or reactive carbonyl species;
- [[•]] c) Cosmetically or pharmaceutically acceptable carriers and excipients; and
- [[•]] d) Water.

2. (Currently Amended) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the ingredients with lipolytic and venotonic effects [[son]]are:

- [[•]] a) Caffeine;
- [[•]] b) Dry butcher's broom extract (*Ruscus Aculeatus*);
- [[•]] c) Triethanolamine hydroiodide;
- [[•]] d) Ivy extract (*Hedera helix*);
- [[•]] e) L-carnitine; and
- [[•]] f) Amorphous escin.

3. (Currently Amended) A composition according to claim 2, wherein the ingredients are comprised within the following percentages by weight:

- [[•]] a) Triethanolamine hydroiodide 0.1 – 10
- [[•]] b) Caffeine 0.1 - 10
- [[•]] c) L-carnitine 0.1 – 10

- [[•]] d) Dry butcher's broom extract 0.1 – 10
- [[•]] e) Amorphous escin 0.1 - 10
- [[•]] f) Ivy extract 0.1 – 10
- [[•]] g) GHK (Glycyl-Histidyl-Lysine) 0.005 – 10
- [[•]] h) Carriers and excipients, water: up to 100%.

4. (Previous Presented) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the carriers and excipients are chosen from the group consisting of lecithin, EDTA, urea imidazolidinyl, phenoxyethanol, methylparaben, butylparaben, propylparaben, isobutylparaben, ethylparaben, carrageenans, glycerin and xanthan gum.

5. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 4, wherein the carriers and excipients and water are contained in the following percentages by weight:

Lecithin	0.1 – 10
EDTA	0.1 – 10
Urea imidazolidinyl	0.1 – 10
Phenoxyethanol, methylparaben, butylparaben, propylparaben, isobutylparaben, ethylparaben	0.1 – 10
Carrageenans	0.005 – 10
Glycerin	0.1 – 20
Xanthan gum	0.1 – 10
Water	1 – 99 (up to 100%)

6-7. (Cancelled)

8. (New) A method of reducing the harmful or toxic effects of carbonyl species generated in the treatment of cellulite in a subject in need thereof, comprising administering to such subject a

composition comprising ingredients with lipolytic and venotonic effects and the tripeptide glycyl-histidyl-lysine.

9. (New) A method according to claim 8, wherein the ingredients with lipolytic and venotonic effects are selected from the group comprising caffeine, dry butcher's broom extract (*Ruscus Aculeatus*), triethanolamine hydroiodide, ivy extract (*Hedera helix*), L-carnitine and amorphous escin.